

CLAIMS AMENDMENT

1-13. (canceled)

Please amend claims 14-19 as follows:

14. (currently amended): A method [[ef]] for preparing a stable dried ~~blood factor~~ Factor VIII composition containing a stabilizing amount of trehalose in the absence of a stabilizing amount of albumin [[in]] which method comprises freeze-drying an aqueous solution of Factor VIII containing trehalose ~~is freeze-dried in the presence of trehalose and without and free of albumin.~~

15. (currently amended): A method [[ef]] for preparing a stable dried ~~blood factor~~ native Factor VIII composition containing a stabilizing amount of trehalose in the absence of a stabilizing amount of albumin [[in]] which method comprises freeze-drying an aqueous solution of native Factor VIII containing trehalose ~~is freeze-dried in the presence of trehalose and without and free of albumin.~~

16. (currently amended): A method [[ef]] for preparing a stable dried ~~blood factor~~ recombinant Factor VIII composition containing a stabilizing amount of trehalose in the absence of a stabilizing amount of albumin [[in]] which method comprises freeze-drying an aqueous solution of recombinant Factor VIII containing trehalose ~~is freeze-dried in the presence of trehalose and without and free of albumin.~~

17-19. (canceled)

20. (new): The method of claim 14 wherein said aqueous solution further contains L-histidine.

21. (new): The method of claim 15 wherein said aqueous solution further contains L-histidine.

22. (new): The method of claim 16 wherein said aqueous solution further contains L-histidine.